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1. Attached is being forwarded as received.
2. Dagerort is a peninsula on the island of Hiiumaa off the Estonian coast. Ristnam should be Ristna (N58-56, E22-04). Coordinates of Nekman Ground, also known as Hiiumadal, are N59-03, E22-16.

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Between 1115 and 1150 on 19 October 1954, several detonations were heard in a southwesterly direction in the sea area between Nekman Ground and Ristnam where the mean water depth is about 15 meters. Single detonations occurred during the entire period of observation at intervals not exceeding half a minute. There were also frequent blast reports of up to three reports at less than one second's interval at a distance of about 8 and 10 sea miles. At each detonation a black fountain was observed which gradually grew larger up to half a minute, when it suddenly changed over to a white color still increasing in size. The last detonation was heard at 1150. When the burst clouds had disappeared, three rather high-sided vessels of about 120 tons were sighted on the spot where the last detonation had taken place. The origin of the detonations could not be identified. However, the smoke clouds and the kind of blasting operations appeared to be preliminary oil boring operations at sea.

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